

REMARKS

Applicants have amended dependent claim 6 as the Examiner suggested to overcome the indefiniteness rejection. Applicants are also further amending their original claims and adding new claims to request different scopes of protection.

In response to the prior art rejection, applicants respectfully point out that the subject application is a continuation-in-part of their commonly-assigned US Patent No. 6,546,425 filed June 11, 1999. Applicants believe at least claims 1-8, 10-36 and 83-88 and are supported by applicant's June 11, 1999 patent specification.¹ See for example col. 3 lines 49-56; and col. 6 line 8 et seq. of applicants' published U.S. Patent No. 6,546,425. Since the applied references have effective dates later than applicants' effective filing date, the rejection under 35 USC 102(e) must be withdrawn at least with respect to these claims.

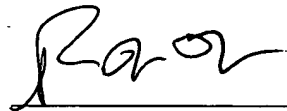
Only with respect to any claims the Examiner determines are not entitled to a June 11, 1999 effective date, applicants point out that the applied Amin reference does not appear to teach or suggest "said mobile computing device cooperating with said policy management system to dynamically manage at least one of: (a) access by said mobile computing device to the resource, and (b) consumption by said mobile computing device of the resource, the resource at least in part available through said networks or subnetworks as said mobile computing device roams between said networks or subnetworks, even if communications to the resource is secured" as for example each

claim dependent from new independent claim 29 requires. See also limitation in new independent claim 82 "at least in part through cooperation involving said mobile computing device, dynamically managing at least one of: (a) access by said mobile computing device to said resource, and (b) consumption by said mobile computing device of said resource, as said mobile computing device roams, even if communications to the resource is secure."

Applicants have addressed all outstanding issues and believe this case is now in condition for allowance, and request reconsideration and allowance. Should the Examiner determine that any additional minor issues remain outstanding or should the Examiner believe a discussion would be helpful, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned to invite a telephonic or personal interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ This statement should not be taken as an indication or admission that other claims are not supported by applicants' 6/11/99 filing.